

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 13-24 (canceled).

Claim 25. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram having an axial bore;

means for selectively moving the ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram into and out of the mold;

a displacement arm movably mounted within the axial bore of the ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram; and

means for selectively moving the displacement arm within the axial bore of the ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram and into and out of the mold.

Claim 26. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;

a ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram having an axial bore;

means for selectively moving the ~~temperature-controlled~~ water-cooled ram into and out of the mold;

a tube located within the axial bore and communicating with the mold;

a source of gas connected to the tube; and
means for supplying gas from the source through the tube and
into the mold.

Claim 27. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing
consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;
a temperature-controlled water-cooled ram comprising a porous
internal space and a flexible sheath surrounding the porous
internal space;
means for selectively moving the temperature-controlled
water-cooled ram into and out of the mold;
a source of cooling water under pressure; and
means for feeding cooling water under pressure to the porous
internal space of the temperature-controlled water-cooled ram to
expand the flexible sheath within the mold.

Claim 28. (currently amended) An apparatus for producing
consumable products having an outer shell comprising:

a mold;
a temperature-controlled water-cooled ram comprising a porous
internal space and a shell of rigid material surrounding the
porous internal space, the shell is provided with a passage which
communicates the porous internal space with the mold when the
temperature-controlled water-cooled ram is located in the mold,
said passage is covered by a diaphragm;
means for selectively moving the temperature-controlled
water-cooled ram into and out of the mold;
a source of cooling water under pressure; and
means for feeding cooling water under pressure to the porous
internal space of the temperature-controlled water-cooled ram for

expanding the diaphragm into the mold.